## GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Public Services – T & A Department – Nellore Dist. – Sri A. Srinivasulu, the then S.T.O., I/c., Sub-Treasury office, Venkatagiri, Nellore – Punishment of withholding of one annual grade increment with cumulative effect with effect on pension awarded by the DTA, Hyderabad – Review petition- Allowed - Modified to that of further action dropped – Orders – Issued.

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## FINANCE (Admn.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Rt.No. 1984

Dt.06-04-2010 Read the following:

- 1. D.T.A., Hyderabad Procgs. No. KI(1)/18444/2003, dt. 24-4-2007.
- 2. Review petition of Sri A. Srinivasulu, the then S.T.O., I/C. Dt. 17-12-2008.
- 3. Lr.No.K(I)1/18444/2003, dt. 3-11-2009 from the D.T.A., A.P., Hyderabad.

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## ORDER:

During the surprise check conducted by the ACB in the Sub Treasury Office, Venkatagiri, Nellore District on 16-10-2003, certain lapses/irregularities were noticed on the part of Sri A.Sreenivasulu formerly STO (i/c) Venkatagiri and present Sub Treasury Officer, Sullurpet, Nellore District.

2. The Deputy Director, District Treasury, Nellore has initiated disciplinary action against three individuals including Sri A.Sreenivasulu formerly STO (i/c) Venkatagiri and present Sub Treasury Officer, Sullurpet, Nellore District. The following articles of charge have been framed against him:

## Charge:

"Sri A.Sreenivasulu while working as incharge STO, Venkatagiri, Nellore District from 13-8-2003 to 7-12-2003, who is supervising officer failed to verify the cash declaration register while declaring the same by him staff."

- 3. In the regular enquiry it is found that the article of charge is not proved partially to the cash declared in the cash declaration register.
- 4. After following due procedure the DTA, AP, Hyderabad has imposed the punishment of withholding of one annual grade increment with cumulative effect and effect on pension on Sri A.Sreenivasulu formerly STO (i/c) Venkatagiri, Nellore District vide the DTA Proceedings dtd.24-4-2007.
- 5. Aggrieved by the said punishment, Sri A.Sreenivasulu formerly STO (i/c) Venkatagiri, has preferred the appeal petition to Government, the Government after careful examination of the matter, the appeal petition was rejected vide Government Memo dated. Dt. 25.01.2008.
- 6. Sri A.Sreenivasulu formerly STO (i/c) Venkatagiri and present Sub Treasury Officer, Sullurpet, Nellore District has preferred review petition dated.17.12.2008 has stated that on the day of surprise check he was busy in passing bills, issuing challans and other treasury works due to which he was unable to concentrate on PCDR; that the corrections done in PCDR regarding cash declared by the Senior Accountant, Sri C.Seeta Ramaiah were not done in his presence; and that they were done after returning the PCDR to the Accountant concerned. Further, the petitioner submitted that the instructions issued in the Government Circular Memo.No.29756-B/153/A1/Admn-I/2000, dated.4.7.2002 of Finance (Admn-I.Vig) Department regarding maintenance of PCDR have been diluted by Government by issuing further instructions vide G.O.Ms.No.200 GA (Ser.C) Department, dated.26.3.2007 and benefit have been extended to some other Treasury employees who have been awarded punishments in similar cases. Thereby, he pleaded the Government to extend the same benefit to him also and set-aside the punishment awarded.

- 7. Government after careful examination of the matter i.e., Review petition, enquiry report and the punishment order, and also keeping in view the action taken in respect of his Co-charged Officer Sri S.K. Ahmed Basha, who is regular S.T.O. at Sub-Treasury, Venkatagiri in respect of whom Government have dropped further action vide G.O. Rt. No. 101, Finance (Admn.III) Dept., dt. 7-1-2008, it is observed that the charged Officer is only the In-charge Officer on the day of the surprise check of ACB i.e., on 16-10-2003 and also the statement of the petitioner that the corrections in the Cash Declaration register were made in his absence that too after return of the register to the concerned Accountant and after corrections the Register has not come to his knowledge and also the fact that Sri C. Seetharamaiah, Sr. Accountant has accepted his mistake of corrections and also by taking a lenient view it is decided to drop further action against Sri A. Srinivasulu, S.T.O.
- 8. Accordingly, Government hereby order to drop further action against Sri A. Srinivasulu, S.T.O. by setting aside the punishment of withholding of one annual grade increment with cumulative effect with effect on pension awarded by the D.T.A., Hyderabad vide reference 1<sup>st</sup> read above and fully exonerate him from the charge.
- 9. The D.T.A., Hyderabad is requested to take further action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

L.V. SUBRAHMANYAM PRL. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FP)

// Forwarded :: By Order //

**SECTION OFFICER**